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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 2-4, 11, 14, 21-22, 25-35, 41-45, 49 and 51 have been resubmitted. Claims 2, 11, 14, 21, 49 and 51 have been amended. Claims 1, 5-10, 12, 13, 15-20, 36-40, 46-48 and 50 have been canceled.

The Examiner indicated in the June 21, 2004 telephone conference that the limitation of "CaO is eliminated" is not supported in the original application. In order to merely expedite processing of this application, and at the suggestion of the Examiner, applicants have removed that limitation from the claims.

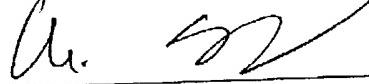
CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully requests that this 312 Amendment be entered. Entering of the Amendment places the claims in condition for allowance and such allowance is courteously solicited.

In the event the examiner wishes to discuss any aspect of this response, please contact the attorney at the telephone number identified below.

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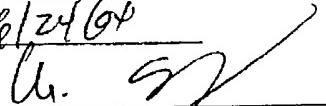
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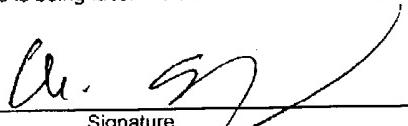
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